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C O N F I D E N T I A L LIBREVILLE 672

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SUBJ: CONGOLESE FOREIGN MINISTER VISIT TO GABON

REF: LIBREVILLE 654

1. CONGOLESE FOREIGN MINISTER THEOPHILE OBENGA
ARRIVED LIBREVILLE MARCH 17 AND WAS RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT
BONGO. OBENGA TOLD PRESS HE WAS CARRYING PERSONAL MESSAGE
FROM PRESIDENT YHOMBY OPANGO. HE ALSO MENTIONED MARCH 18,
ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT NGOUABI, HAD BEEN
DECLARED A DAY OF "SUPREME SACRIFICE." OBENGA STATED
NGOUABI HAD CONSIDERED BONGO AS HIS "TWIM BROTHER."

2. COMMENT: THIS IS THE THIRD CONGOLESE DELEGATION
TO VISIT LIBREVILLE WITHIN A WEEK WHICH SEEMS A BIT
EXCESSIVE. MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND NATIONAL SECURITY
DENIS SASSOU-NGUESSO LED A DELEGATION TO THE MARCH 12
RENOVATION DAY CELEBRATIONS, MRS. YHOMBY OPANGO ARRIVED
MARCH 15 WITH A SECOND DELEGATION AND NOW THE FOREIGN
MINISTER ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADVISER TO THE PRESIDENT.
PERHAPS BONGO'S PREDICTIONS THAT SOMETHING IS ABOUT
TO HAPPEN IN CONGO REPORTED REFTEL, THE RECENT
SUSPENSION OF VISA ISSUANCE BY CONGOLESE EMBASSY
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LIBREVILLE AND THREE HIGH LEVEL DELEGATIONS FROM
BRAZZAVILLE ARE INDICATORS THAT SOMETHING IS INDEED
BREWING. YATES

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